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As assignee of record of the entire interest of the following identified applications:

Application Number	Filing Date	First Named Inventor	Art Unit	Examiner	Attorney's Docket	Record of Assignment (Reel/Frame)
10/077,391	02/15/2002	NIKOLOVSKI	1725	TRAN	201143.00014	012910/0983
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Date: JULY 10, 2005

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Attorney Docket No.: 29385-76798  
Client Reference No.: .441

**PATENT ASSIGNMENT**

In consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration paid to each of the undersigned,

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**A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTINUOUSLY CASTING STEEL STRIP**

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